

THE DEVIL IS A PART- TIMER!

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I HAVE WORK
TODAY TOO,
SO COULD
YOU LET ME
SLEEP SOME
MORE?



IT'S
TOO EARLY
IN THE
MORNING
FOR
WHATEVER
THIS IS.



OH?

WELL, IN
THAT CASE,
CAN I
KEEP THIS
THOUSAND
YEN?



DON'T
WORRY.

THERE
ISN'T
POISON OR
A RAZOR
BLADE
INSIDE OR
ANYTHING.

I DON'T
THINK I'VE
RECEIVED
ANYTHING
FROM YOU
I DIDN'T
REGRET.



CHAPTER 6: THE DEVIL IS GRAVELY MISUNDERSTOOD





HE WASN'T...
YOU KNOW,
HURT OR
ANYTHING?



DID
YOU GET
CLOCKED
IN THE
HEAD OR
SOMETHING
LAST
NIGHT?

WE'RE
TALKING
ABOUT
HIM, NOT
ME.



NOOOOOO.

HE'S STILL
IN BED AFTER
CRYING AT
ME ALL NIGHT
ABOUT HOW HE
COULDN'T HELP
ME OUT.

NOT
PHYSI-
CALLY,
NO.

KIND OF
A MAJOR
BLOW TO
HIS EGO,
THOUGH.



JUST AS I
THOUGHT, IF
THE DEMONS
CAN SIPHON
POWER OFF
THE FEARS
AND DES-
PERATION OF
PEOPLE...

...MAOU, COULD
TURN BACK INTO
THE DEVIL KING
SATAN ANYTIME
HE WANTED, JUST
BY USING HIS
REMAINING FORCE
TO TRIGGER
ANOTHER
DISASTER.

SO HERE
I AM,
FLYING
OVER
HERE IN A
PANIC...

.....



BUT, HEY,
WERE YOU
ALL RIGHT,
THOUGH?



SUPP
(TIZZ)
9/10

...
AND I'M
GREETED
WITH
THIS...?

WHAT THE
HELL AM
I GONNA
DO FOR
BREAKFAST
NOW?



...
WHAT?



WERE YOU
OKAY, USING
YOUR HOLY
POWER AND
EVERYTHING?

WHAT?
I'M JUST
ASKING.
YOUR POWER
ISN'T BACK,
RIGHT?

WHAT
ARE YOU...
SAYING?



WHAT?
AM I NOT
ALLOWED
TO BE
CONCERNED
ABOUT
PEOPLE?

ARE
YOU...

ARE YOU
SERIOUS?



OH?
...YEAH,
I GUESS
SO,
HUH?

I AM NOT
SO WEAK...
THAT MY
ENEMY
SHOULD BE
CONCERNED
FOR ME.



KI
(SKREE)

ANY-
WAY.

WITH
PLEA-
SURE.

IF THAT'S
ALL YOU
NEEDED,
YOU MIND
LEAVING ME
ALONE?



KA
CTAO

KA

KA



AH!

YOU'RE
GONNA
SLIP IF
YOU—

OH!
H-HEY!
EMI!

AH!









WHERE'D
ALL OF
THAT COME
FROM?

YOU'RE THE
DEVIL KING,
YOU IDIOT!
WHY DON'T
YOU ACT
LIKE ONE
AND START
WRECKING
THIS WORLD
ALREADY!?



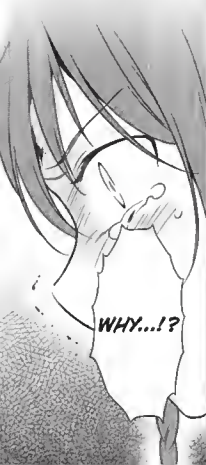
HUH?

WHAT
IS WITH
YOU,
ANY-
WAY!?



...SO
DAMN
KIND TO
ME!?

WHY
ARE
YOU...



WHY...!?



THEN,
WHY...?



IF YOU
COULD
ALWAYS
BE THIS
NICE...



**THE
DEVIL
KING I
FOUGHT
AGAINST...**



**...HE
TREATED
PEOPLE
LIKE THEY
WERE
NOTHING
MORE
THAN
INSECTS!**

**HE LOVED
NOTHING
MORE THAN
THE DESPAIR,
THE BLOOD
THAT RAN
ACROSS THE
WORLD!**

**WHY
DID YOU
KILL MY
FATHER!?**





**YOU TOOK
MY HOME,
MY FATHER,
MY PEACEFUL,
QUIET
CHILDHOOD...
EVERYTHING!
AND I'LL
NEVER
FORGIVE
YOU!**

**YOU TURNED
OUR FIELDS
INTO GIGANTIC
FIRESTORMS!
YOU LET YOUR
HORDE OF
DEMONS
PERFORM
ANY KIND OF
SAVAGE
BRUTALITY
THEY WANTED!**



**WHY
IS THE
DEVIL...
BEING
SO NICE
TO THE
HERO...?**



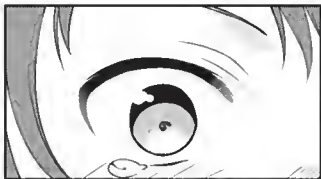
**BUT WHY,
THOUGH...?
WHY?**

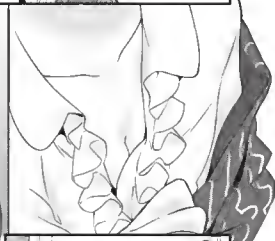
EMI...



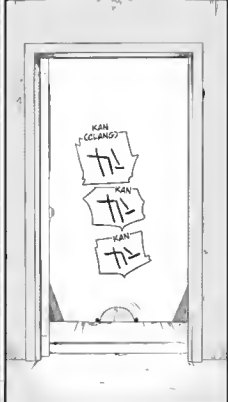
WELL...













IS THIS
YOUR GIRL-
FRIEND, I AM
ASSUMING,
MAOU-SAN?



MY
NAME
IS MIKI
SHIBA.

I'M THE
LANOLADY
HERE AT VILLA
ROSA SASAZUKA.
IT'S GOOD TO
MEET YOU!



IT'S
THE
LAND-
LADY!

A
A
G
H
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I AM HERE
IN ORDER TO
INFORM MY
TENANTS
OF CERTAIN
UPCOMING
MATTERS...

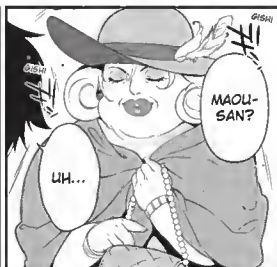
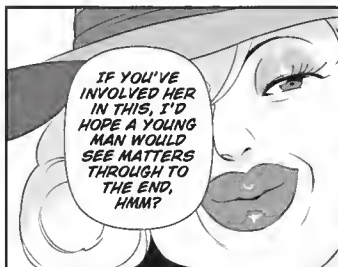
FORGIVE
ME FOR
INTRUDING
WHILE
YOU'RE SO
APPARENTLY
OCCUPIED.

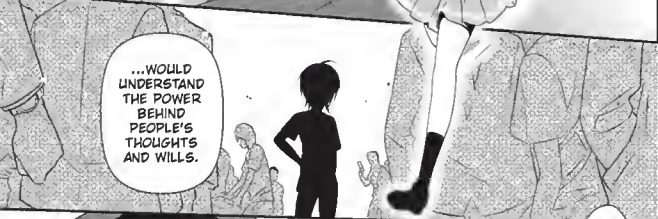
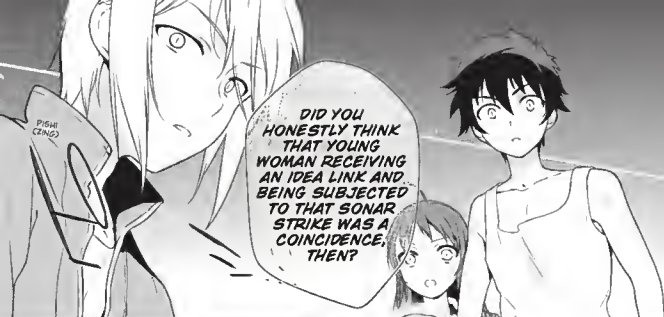


FEEL FREE
TO CALL ME
MIKITTY, BY
THE WAY.

UH,
SURE
...









SEE?
YOU CAN
HEAR IT,
NO?

POGOON
(FOOOOON)



**THE
DEVIL
IS A
PART-
TIMER**

A hand-drawn graphic of a speech bubble. The bubble is tilted diagonally upwards from left to right. Inside the bubble, the text "THE DEVIL IS A PART-TIMER" is written in a bold, blocky, sans-serif font. The word "PART-" is on one line and "TIMER" is on the line below it. The entire text is enclosed within a simple outline of a speech bubble, which has a small circle at the bottom right representing the tail of the bubble.





SO
EMILIA'S IN TROUBLE?



I'M PICKING
IT UP ON MY
SONAR
READINGS~.

A MAN-MADE
MAGICAL
REACTION,
ONE FAR TOO
LARGE TO BE
PURELY THE
LATENT MAGIC
OF THIS
"JAPAN"~.



SURE
AM~.


YOU
CATCHIN'
SOME-
THING
OVER
THERE?

GRHN...



I DOUBT WE'LL
HAVE TIME TO
RELAX ONCE
WE REACH THE
OTHER SIDE,
EITHER~.

UH?



WE MAY NEED
TO PREPARE
FOR BATTLE~.

POSSIBLY~.

I CAN
TAKE IT
FROM
THERE!

LET'S
HURRY!

RIGHT!

STOP
JOSTLING
ME LIKE
THAT,
WOMAN!

OOOOOGH!!

YES, SIR~!
ON OUR
WAY~!

ON
(SLAP)

UWP



I REALLY
DO LIKE
MAOU-SAN!

HE'S NOT
PARTICULARLY
TALL OR
HANDSOME OR
ANYTHING...

...BUT
MAOU-SAN'S
ALWAYS SUCH A
GO-GETTER AT
WORK. IT'S SO
COOL TO SEE
HIM...

I THINK
HE WAS
MY FIRST
LOVE!

LOOK, OUR
RELATION-
SHIP...

AND NOW
LOOK AT
ME...

IT CAN'T BE
SUMMED UP
THAT EASILY,
OKAY?

I
JUST...

I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
TO DO ANY-
MORE...!



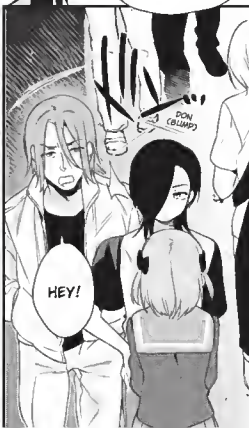


...BUT I
DIDN'T THINK
YOU WOULD
BE CAUGHT
UP IN DESPAIR
FOR THEM
SO EASILY.

I HAD BEEN
FOLLOWING
YOU SINCE
THAT LAST
MISTAKE...

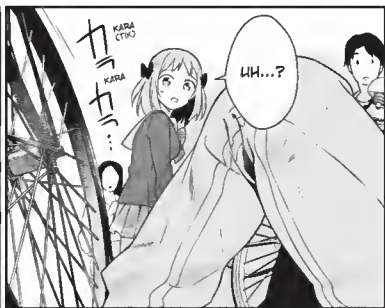


GET
OUTTA
MY WAY,
YOU...



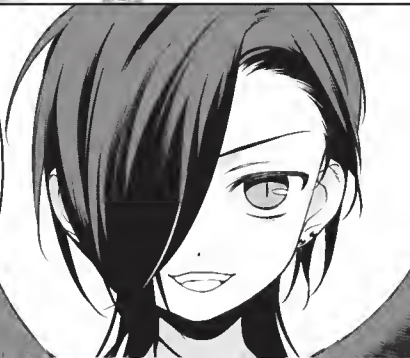
HEY!







**SASAKI
CHIHO.**







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CHAPTER 8: THE DEVIL REVEALS ALL












MY FORMER
GREAT DEMON
GENERAL, THE
FALLEN ANGEL
LUCIFER?



AND HOW
NICE TO SEE
ALCIEL SAFE
AND SOUND!

WHA
...?



OR SHOULD I
BE REFERRING
TO YOU AS
SADAO MAOU
INSTEAD?

WELL,
WELL! THE
DEVIL KING
SATAN!



I THOUGHT
YOU WERE
THE FIRST
GREAT DEMON
GENERAL I
DEFEATED...



LUCIFER...?
YOU'RE
KIDDING
ME...?

N-NO...
WHY ARE
YOU HERE
NOW...!?



YOUR
SWORD DID
PIERCE MY
BODY, IT'S
TRUE...

...YET I AM
HERE NOW,
BEFORE
YOU!



HOW
LONG HAS
IT BEEN,
EMILIA, THE
HERO...

OR
SHOULD I
SAY, EMI
YUSA!

NGH...



...THE
HERO'S
ARMIES
OVER-
WHELMED
ME.

THAT
MUCH, YOU
ALREADY
KNOW.

...I FIGURED
CAPTURING THE
WESTERN ISLAND
WOULD BE A
CINCH, IT BEING
A CHURCH
STRONGHOLD.

WITH
YOUR
HEAVEN-
BORNE
BLOOD...

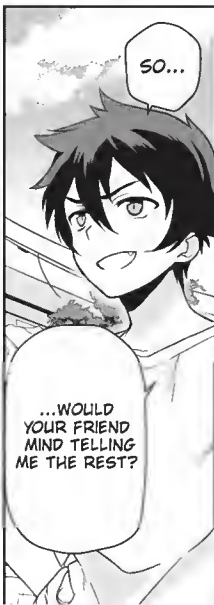


CER-
TAINLY.

HOW
'BOUT
IT?

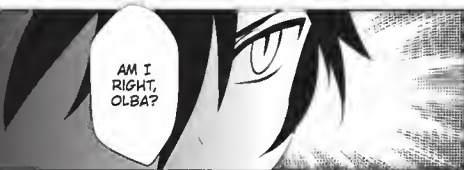
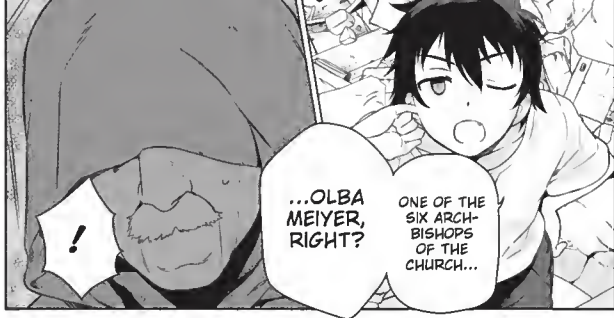


I
AM...



SO...

...WOULD
YOUR FRIEND
MIND TELLING
ME THE REST?





YOU
WERE RIGHT
BEHIND EMI
WHEN SHE
ENTERED
THE GATE,
RIGHT?

ONCE
I HEARD
THAT,
I PRETTY
MUCH
GUESSED
THE REST.



...YOU
KNEW OF
THAT?



IT...IT
CAN'T BE,
OLBA...

WHY ARE
YOU WITH
LUCIFER?
YOU DIDN'T...



US
DEMONS, WE
PRACTICALLY
INVENTED
EVIL, YOU
KNOW.

I CAN
ALWAYS
TELL WHAT
A VILLAIN IS
THINKING,
START TO
FINISH.



...EVERYTHING
BEGAN AFTER
LUCIFER LOST
TO YOU...

EMILIA...



THEN YOU
GOT LUCIFER
ON YOUR SIDE
WHILE HE
WAS STILL
POWERLESS...

...AND
SECRETLY
WIPE OUT THE
REST OF THE
HERO'S CREW
IN ORDER TO
PROTECT
THE VESTED
INTERESTS OF
THE CHURCH.

THE
END.



ONCE

ONCE SHE
DESTROYED
THE DEMON
FORCES, YOU
DIDN'T WANT
THE HERO
LORDING IT
OVER YOU, SO
YOU TOSSED
HER INTO
ANOTHER
WORLD,
RIGHT?



THAT
SCRIPT'S
BEEN DONE
A THOU-
SAND TIMES
BEFORE,
BALDY!

YOU
THINK THIS
GIRL WAS
GONNA TRY
BECOMING
GODDESS
OF THE
UNIVERSE
OR SOME-
THING?

ANY
CORREC-
TIONS I
NEED TO
MAKE?

WUGH...



DID YOU BAIT HIM WITH THE CHANCE TO RETURN TO HEAVEN?

I CAN PROBABLY GUESS HOW YOU GOT LUCIFER ON YOUR SIDE TOO.



HEY, STOP THAT!

UM...YOUR DEMONIC HIGHNESS? I WOULD HARDLY CALL HIM NATURALLY BALD.

"BALDY"...



IF YOU'RE GONNA CRY AT ME FOR BEING RIGHT, YOU REALLY SHOULD HAVE COME UP WITH A BETTER SCRIPT!

WHAT-EVER, BALDY.

Y-YOU ACCUSED DEVIL!!

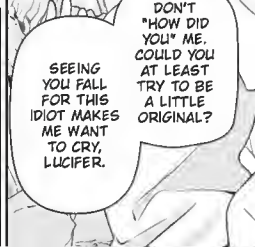


H-HOW DID YOU...!?



"DIE WHERE YOU STAND ALONGSIDE THE HERO!"

AND NOW YOU'RE GONNA BE LIKE, "OH, NOOOOO, YOU HAVE ANGERED LUCIFER! AND YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO FLEE LIKE LAST TIME!"



DON'T "HOW DID YOU" ME, COULD YOU AT LEAST TRY TO BE A LITTLE ORIGINAL?

SEEING YOU FALL FOR THIS IDIOT MAKES ME WANT TO CRY, LUCIFER.

SUPAAN
(SMACK)

YOW!

EVEN
A HACK
B-MOVIE
SCREEN-
WRITER
WOULD
COME UP
WITH
BETTER
LINES
THAN
THAT!

THAT
IS SO
LAME,
MAN!

YOUR
DEMONIC
HIGHNESS!
WHEN ON
EARTH DID
YOU HAVE THE
CHANCE TO
WATCH ANY
MOVIES!?!
SUCH A WASTE
OF MONEY...

WOULD
YOU STOP
HECKLING
THEM
ALREADY!?

THEY
KIND OF
TOOK
CHIH-
CHAN
HOSTAGE,
REMEM-
BER!?

I DON'T
NEED YOUR
CONSIDER-
ATION!

I'VE WANTED TO
STOP PLAYING
HOUSEHUSBAND
ALL DAY AND
ENJOY A LITTLE
ENTERTAINMENT
TOO, YOU KNOW!
BUT I HELD
MYSELF
BACK!

THAT. AND
COME ON,
WHAT'S A
MOVIE NOW
AND THEN
GONNA HURT!
I'M THE ONE
BRINGING
HOME THE
BACON!

THAT
HURT, YOU
BASTARD!
IF I LET
THEM SPEAK
FIRST, YOU
PROBABLY
WOULD'VE
FAINTED
FROM THE
SHOCK, ALL
RIGHT!?

POOOO
CYRILLINAM



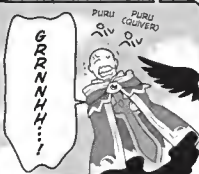
**YOU
WILL PAY
FOR THIS,
DEVIL
KING
SATAN!!**

**THAT
IS SO
AMATEUR
HOUR,
MAN.**



**STOP
THIS!
ALL OF
YOU!**

**I DEIGNED
TO LISTEN
TO YOU, AND
MY REWARD
IS ALL THIS
NONSENSICAL
BLUBBERING?**

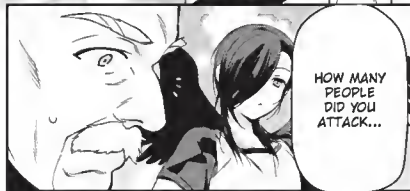


PURU PURU
(GQUIVER)

G R N H H...!



**COULDN'T
BE MORE
UNORIGINAL
IF YOU
TRIED.**



**HOW MANY
PEOPLE
DID YOU
ATTACK...**



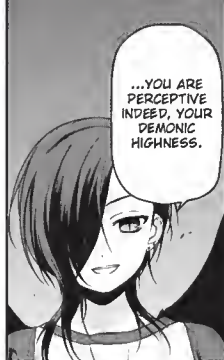
**SO
ANYWAY,
ARCH-
BISHOP
CUEBALL...**



**...IN ORDER
TO PROP
LUCIFER'S
MAGIC
LEVELS UP?**



**MIND IF
I ASK
YOU A
QUES-
TION?**






LOOK
AT THE
DIVINITY
AND THE EVIL
YOU SEE IN
PEOPLE.

THE PEOPLE
OF THIS NATION
AREN'T RULED
BY THEIR GODS.
THEY ROLL OVER
TO THE EVIL SIDE
OR THE HOLY SIDE
WITH A SNAP OF
THE FINGERS.

THE WAY
WE CAN GAIN
STRENGTH
IN THIS
WORLD!

THAT'S
OUR
SOURCE
OF
POWER!



THESE ARE
PROBABLY
THE GUYS
BEHIND THAT
RECENT
STRING OF
ROBBERIES.

SEEING A
DEMON IN ALL
HIS GLORY
LIKE THAT
WOULD MAKE
MOST PEOPLE
WET THEIR
PANTS.



IT...
IS?

THEN...

AH!



THAT
WAS WHY
I REVERTED
BACK TO MY
OLD FORM A
LITTLE BIT
YESTERDAY.

PEOPLE WERE
DESPAIRING
OF THEIR OWN
DEATHS ALL
AROUND ME, AND
THAT FORCED
ITS WAY INTO
MY BODY.

NO...

SUCKING THE
POWER OUT
OF ONE OR
TWO PEOPLE
ISN'T GONNA
CUT IT.

YEAH,
YOU'D HAVE
TO CAUSE
A HUGE
DISASTER!

THEN IF
YOU WANT
TO GAIN
ENOUGH
MAGICAL
FORCE TO
RETURN
TO ENTE
ISLA...



I WANT
TO TAKE A
DIFFERENT
APPROACH
INSTEAD.

IT'S BEEN A
GOOD WORLD
TO ME, AND I
DON'T WANT
TO SCREW
IT UP LIKE
THAT.



I KIND OF
LIKE THIS
WORLD,
YOU KNOW?

IT'S BEEN A
REAL FRESH
EXPERIENCE
FOR ME,
BEING
HUMAN.



WHAT
NEXT?

SO...



DON'T...
DON'T
YOU CARE
ABOUT
THIS GIRL
AT ALL?

WE'RE
FULLY AWARE
OF YOUR RE-
LATIONSHIP!
WE KNOW
YOU'VE BEEN
INTIMATE!



WANNA
DO IT
HERE?

...!



...BUT
I'LL TELL
YOU WHAT
I HATE
MORE—

I'M
NOT TOO
FOND OF
BISHOPS...



HEY,
EMILIA,
THE
HERO.



YEAH...

I HATE
DEMONS
AND
TRAITORS
TOO.

TRAITORS.



WELL,
YOU GOTTA
EARN IT TO
WIN IT!



YOU SURE
ABOUT THIS?
YOU'VE BEEN
SAVING THAT
POWER FOR
A WHILE.



THAT'S
WHAT I
LIKE TO
HEAR.

IF WE FIGHT
HERE, YOU
MIGHT NEVER
BE ABLE TO
GO BACK.



COME
ON...

LET'S
DO
THIS!

I'LL
PULVERIZE
BOTH OF
YOU!

ERGH
...!

AND I'M
GETTIN'
CHI-CHAN
BACK TOO!



...IT'S TOO DANGEROUS TO MOVE THINGS FORWARD RECKLESSLY...

UNTIL WE KNOW WHY THEY CHOSE THIS MOMENT TO UNFURL THIS TRAP FOR US...



B-BUT, YOUR DEMONIC HIGHNESS!

WE NEED TO FULLY GAUGE OUR OPPONENTS.



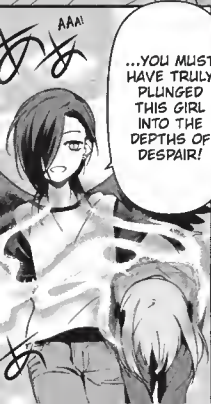
LET ME SHOW YOU MYSELF.



HYUN
CROSSHO







AAAI

...YOU MUST
HAVE TRULY
PLUNGED
THIS GIRL
INTO THE
DEPTHS OF
DESPAIR!



MY!

FOR HER
TO RADIATE
SUCH FORCE
EVEN FOR YOUR
ROOMMATE,
ALCIEL...

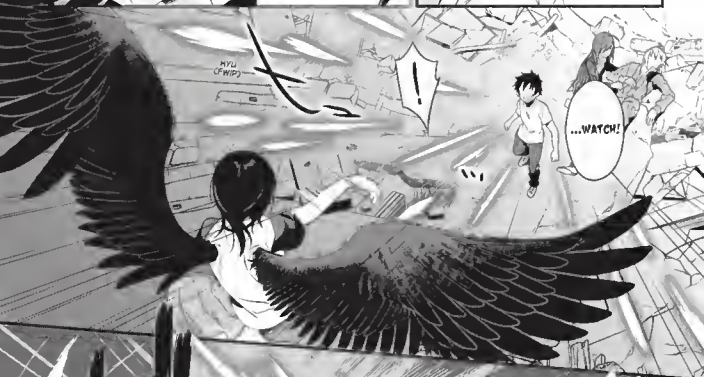
WAAAAAA!

ORA
(WHF)

NEGATIVE
FEELINGS
ARE SO EASY
TO CONTROL
WHEN THEY'RE
DIRECTED
TOWARD A
UNIQUE
TARGET.

KIN
(SING)

YOU...
YOU'RE
GOING
INTO CHI-
CHAN'S
HEART...



MYU
(WIP)

...WATCH!



GA
(CLANG)

DAM-
MIT...!

GA

GA

GA



CRAP, I
DON'T
HAVE
ENOUGH
POWER!

W H O A A H H !

W H A A A ! ?

HA
HA
HA!

DON'T
GET DIS-
TRACTED,
LUCIFER!

OUR
MISSION IS
TO DESTROY
EMILIA AND
THE DEVIL
KING!

I HAD NO
IDEA IT'D
FEEL SO
WONDER-
FUL!

MY FIRST
TASTE OF
DESTRUC-
TION AFTER
MY DEFEAT
AT EMILIA'S
HANDS!



Y-YOU HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN THAT I CONTROL THE GATE THAT SERVES AS YOUR BRIDGE TO HEAVEN?



3000 (GLEEP)



YOU DARE TO BUTT IN ON MY BUSINESS?



AS LONG AS I HAVE THIS GIRL, THE DEVIL KING AND EMILIA, THE HERO, WILL NEVER FLEE FROM...

WELL... YOU HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.



TSK...





THEY CAN
STORE UP AS
MUCH POWER
AS THEY
WANT, BUT
THEY WILL
NEVER HAVE
ENOUGH TO
RESIST US.



THEY'VE
FLED,
LUCIFER!

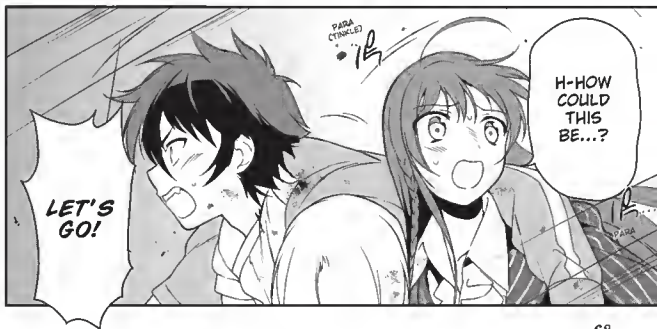
CALM
YOUR-
SELF



AFTER
THEM!

BASA
(FLAP)

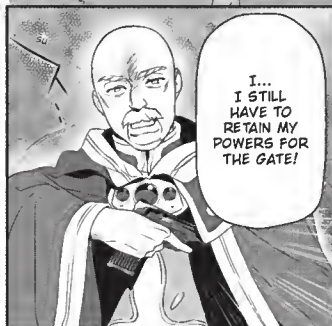




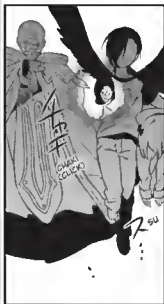








EMI...



NOW
THEY'RE
PROB-
ABLY
GONNA...



...
HÖLD
TIGHT!!

HOH...!?





NO WAY!

ZAWA

WHO'RE THEY?

LUCIFER!
WE'RE ONLY
ATTRACTING
MORE
WITNESSES
WITH THESE
DELAYS!

AH,
YOU'RE
ALWAYS
SO
FLINCHY,
OLBA.

ZAWA
(CHATTER)



IF THERE
ARE TOO
MANY, I CAN
ALWAYS
CULL THEM
DOWN A
BIT.

FLUTZUN
(POOOOON)



RYUN
(CRUISE)

OH, YOU
STILL HAVE
SOME KIND
OF TRICK
UP YOUR
SLEEVE,
NOW?

DOYO
(THINK)



I THINK
IT A
GOOD
FIT FOR
THIS
NATION.

WHO
CAN SAY?
A TERROR
BOMBING
DESTROYING
THE SHUTO
EXPRESSWAY?
COUNTLESS
VICTIMS.



THE
MAGIC
AROUND
HERE'S
RISING!!

WH-
WHAT'RE
YOU
GONNA
DO?!



BUT I
CAN'T HAVE
THE DEVIL KING
RETURNING
TO LIFE...THE
WAY HE DID
UNDERNEATH
SHINJUKU.







TUSHAAA
(SLIDE)

BAKI
(SNAP)



CHIHU-
CHAN!



PO
(TOSS)

MY WORK
IS DONE.
YOU CAN
HAVE
THE GIRL
BACK.



ZUMI
(TING)

ZUMIN

ZUMIN

NGH...!



!!



OOOOOO
(VRRAMMM)

!?

IT IS
TIME TO
COMPLETE
MY
CONTRACT
WITH YOU,
OLBA.

I HOPE YOU
WILL HOLD
YOUR END
OF THE
BARGAIN.





GO
(FWOOSH)

FAREWELL,
EMILIA,
THE
HERO!

GAAN
(CRAASH)

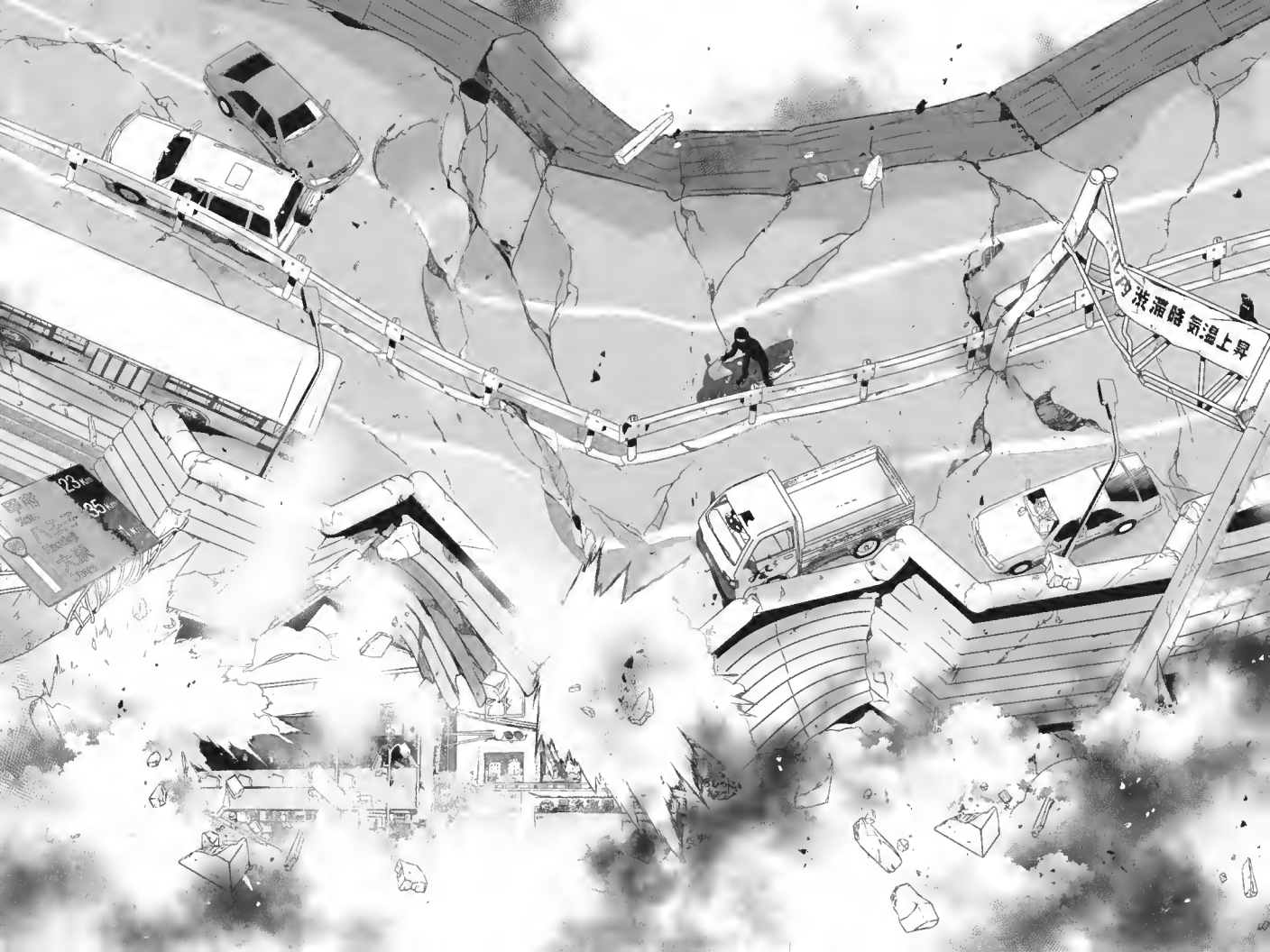
YOU WILL
FOLLOW IN
THE PATH OF
ALCIEL AND
THE DEVIL
KING!

POGOO
(BLAMMM)

GABIAN
(BANG)

GAAN
(CRASH)

GI
(CREAK)







JUST
LIKE...I
THOUGHT.

TOTAL B
MOVIE.

PAPA
CRYSTICHO

LN







MY
THANKS
TO YOU,
LUCIFER...

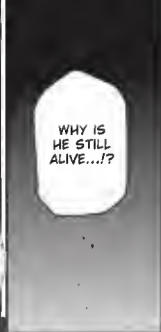
NOW
I AM
FINALLY
BACK TO
MY OLD
SELF!



THE
DEVIL
KING...
SATAN...
!!



I PIERCED
STRAIGHT
THROUGH HIS
HEART...!



WHY IS
HE STILL
ALIVE...!?



WH-
WHY
...?

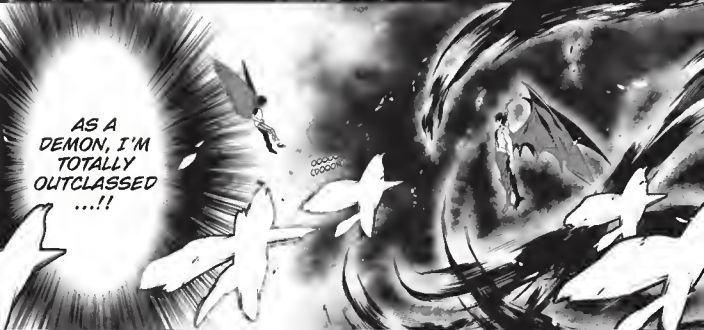
META
(PALE)



I COULDN'T
TAKE IN ANY
OF IT. THE
DEVIL KING
SUCKED IT
ALL AWAY
FROM ME...

THE
FEAR AND
DESPERATION
THAT WAS ALL
AROUND US...

I AM AMAZED
HIS HUMAN
BODY LASTED
AS LONG
AS IT DID,
BUT NOW...
THE DEVIL
KING...?



AS A
DEMON, I'M
TOTALLY
OUTCLASSED
...!!





UH...
GUH?

**HURRY
UP! THIS
IS HEAVY,
MAN!**



UH...
ME?

**WHO THE
HELL DO
YOU THINK
I MEAN!?
SNAP OUT
OF IT!**

**YOU
GOTTA
DO
SOME-
THING
ABOUT
HIM!**



LIKE,
SERIOUSLY,
THIS
REALLY
SUCKS.

I'M
OUT OF
PRACTICE
WITH THIS
MAGIC...



I JUST...
AM,
OKAY?

PLEASE...
HURRY...

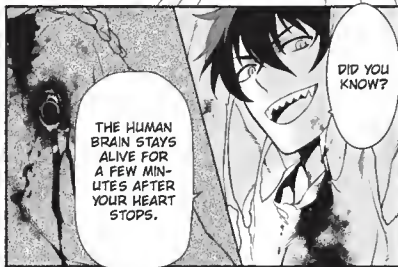



IS...
THAT
YOU,
MAOU-
SAN?

HOW DO
YOU GET OUT
OF PRACTICE
WITH MAGIC?



ZUSHIN
(SHOOT)





IF LUCIFER
STARTED JUST
FIGHTING YOU
NORMALLY, I
WOULD'VE BEEN
DEAD IN TWO
SECONDS.

GOOD
THING
THEY WERE
WORKING
OFF A
B-MOVIE
SCRIPT.



BAD GUYS
LIKE US...
WE'RE LAZY,
SO WE TRY
TO FINISH
PEOPLE OFF
WITH ONE
SHOT.



HE SET
OFF THAT HUGE
BLAST WITHOUT
REALIZING I WAS
STILL ALIVE, SO
EVERYONE'S FEARS
CHANNELED RIGHT
INTO ME.



I'M
THE
HERO!

HEROES
DON'T LEND
A HAND TO
THE DEVIL
KING!

HYOKO
(STAGGER)



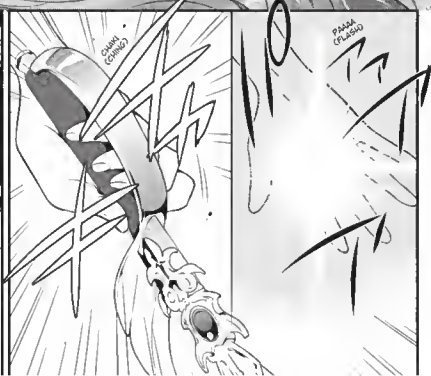
BUT
ANYWAY,
CAN YOU
HELP ME
OUT?


THIS
STUFF'S
HEAVY!
LIKE,
SERIOUSLY,
I'M
BEGGING
YOU
HERE!

NOT
GONNA
HAPPEN.

H
M
P
H!







**WORLDS
MAY
CHANGE,
BUT THE
TRUTH WILL
NEVER
WAVER!**

**I AM
THE
HERO.**

**HOLY
POWER...!**

**THE
DEVIL
IS A
PART-
TIMER**





HOLY
POWER
...!!

THIS
MIGHT
GET
A BIT
HAIRY.

HMM...
I CAN'T
MANIFEST
MY SWORD
PAST THE
FIRST LEVEL.

NO POINT
WORRYING
ABOUT MY
APPEARANCE
RIGHT NOW.

WELL,
SO BE IT.
THEY'RE ON
JUST AS
UNFAMILIAR
GROUND AS
I AM.



LUCIFER,
THE GREAT
DEMON
GENERAL!
OLBA, THE
FALLEN
ARCH-
BISHOP!

I HEREBY
CONDEMN
YOU
FOR THE
SINS...

...YOU
HAVE
COM-
MITTED
AGAINST
THIS
WORLD!







SO...

...
OOF!



SO TRY
NOT TO
LET THOSE
GUYS
ESCAPE
THE
BARRIER,
ALL
RIGHT?

IF
THEY DO,
THAT'S
GONNA
BE BAD.

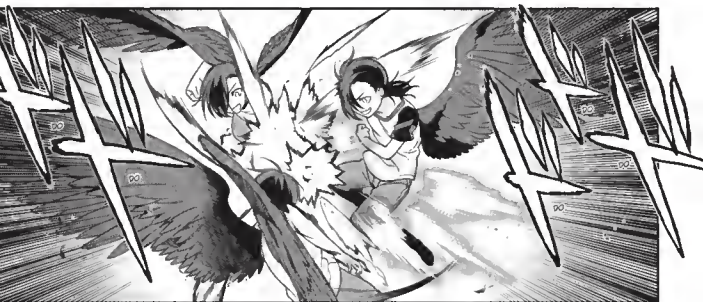
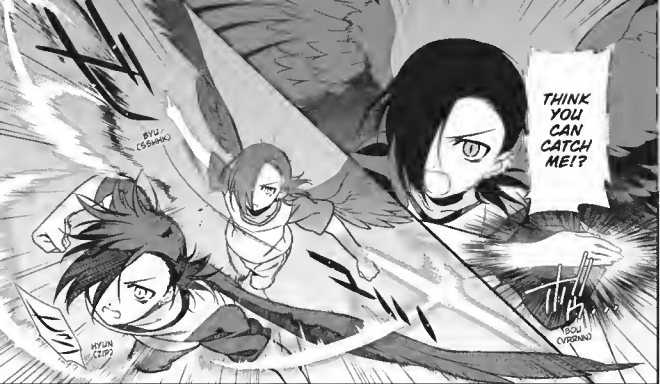


IT SEEMS
I HAD BEST
LEAVE
NOTHING ON
THE TABLE
MYSELF,
THEN!

HAH!!

!







YOUR
DEFENSE IS
FAR FROM
IMPERVIOUS,
AND YOU
FAILED TO
DODGE MY
ATTACK AT
ALL!

HAH!
TALK
ALL
YOU
WANT!



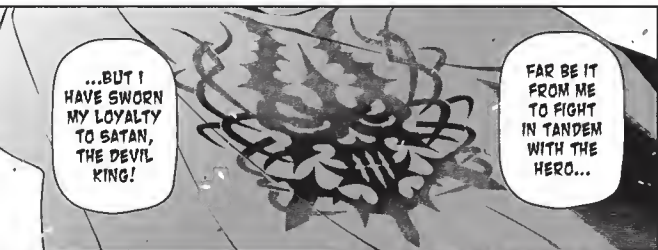
YOUR
AGILITY
IN THE
AIR WAS
NEVER
A MATCH
FOR MINE,
EVEN IN
THE PAST!

I WILL
REGAIN
MY MAGIC
SOON!

DO
(THUD)

TIME
IS ON
MY SIDE
IN THIS
BATTLE!

SORRY,
BUT I WILL
NOT ALLOW
THAT TO
HAPPEN.



ALCIEL!

WHY ARE
YOU BACK
TO YOUR
ORIGINAL
FORM?

I WAS NEAR
DEATH, AND MY
LIEGE GRANTED
ME ENOUGH
MAGIC FORCE
TO REVIVE
MYSELF.

NOTHING
MORE.

HUH.
NEAT.

BUT
WHAT'VE
YOU
BEEN
DOING
SINCE
THEN?

I HAD...RIPPED
THROUGH
MY PANTS,
SO I WENT
BACK TO THE
APARTMENT
TO FETCH MY
GENERAL'S
CLOAK FROM
THE CLOSET.

...WELL,
GREAT.





BUT...BUT
WE'LL BE
UNABLE TO
RETURN!

PERHAPS
NOT,
BUT WE
CERTAINLY
WON'T IF
WE LOSE
HERE!



YOU HAD
ALMOST
BROUGHT
THE DEVIL
KING TO HIS
KNEES!

YOU
WORTH-
LESS
FOOL!

YOU COULD
AT LEAST
FIGHT LIKE
YOU MEAN
IT!

HYUN
(ZIP)

PASHU
(CLANG)

DAMN
YOU....!



POKAN
(GAPE)

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BUT I GOT
IT ALL DOWN
GENTLY! SO
WE'RE ALL
OKAY NOW!
I ROCK!

THAT WAS
HEAVY.
DAMN
HEAVY...



LET'S
GET THIS
OVER WITH,
OKAY?
BESIDES...

SO!
I THINK
NOW'S A
GOOD TIME
FOR ME
TO GET
INVOLVED.



MY
LIEGE
...

MAOU
...





AGH!

RIGHT.
ANYWAY.
YOU GUYS.



...AND YOU
MADE ME
STAND
BY THE
SIDE THIS
WHOLE
FIGHT LIKE
AN IDIOT!



I HAD THIS
WONDROUS
PLAN FOR
TAKING
OVER THE
WORLD...

!!



ARGGH!?



BAAN
(CRAASH)





GOOD
IDEA.

ALSO...

?



YO,
EMI.

WHAT
SHOULD
WE DO
WITH THIS
GUY?

HMM...

HOW ABOUT
WE MAKE HIM
TAKE RESPON-
SIBILITY FOR
MESSING UP
THE CITY?



IF I'M
LATE FOR
WORK,
THAT'S
ON YOU,
LUCIFER.
YOU GOT
THAT?

WH-
WHAT?
I DON'T
UNDER-
STAND!!

SOME-
THING
WE WILL
NEVER BE
ABLE TO
UNDER-
STAND, I
FEAR...

IF THIS
SCREWS
UP MY
PERFECT
ATTEND-
ANCE
RECORD,
WHAT'RE
YOU GONNA
DO ABOUT
THAT?

W
E
L
L!
?





...AT
LEAST TRY
TO TAKE
IT WITH
SOME
DIGNITY!!

YE
A
G
H!!

DAI-YAH
CHIRING



**THE
DEVIL
IS A
PART-
TIMER**

A hand-drawn graphic of a speech bubble. The bubble is tilted diagonally upwards from left to right. Inside the bubble, the text "THE DEVIL IS A PART-TIMER" is written in a bold, blocky, sans-serif font. The words are arranged in five lines: "THE", "DEVIL", "IS A", "PART-", and "TIMER". The bubble has a simple outline with a small circle at the bottom right, representing the tail of the speech bubble.



OH, AND THE
KOSHU-KAIDO
ROAD. AND THE
KEIO RAIL LINE
TOO. THAT'S
TOTALLY BLOCKED
JUST BEFORE
SHINJUKU.

I CAN HEAR
THE NEWS GUY
NOW. "DUE TO
UNPRECEDENTED
DISASTER,
THE SHUTO
EXPRESSWAY AND
TOKYO-GAIKAN
EXPRESSWAYS ARE
IMPASSIBLE FROM
HATSUDAI TO
CHOFU,"
ETC., ETC.



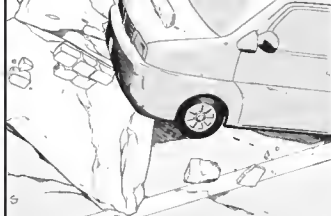
IT WOULD
BE A BIT OF
A MIRACLE IF
THERE WEREN'T
ANY, YOUR
DEMONIC
HIGHNESS.

AND, YOU
KNOW, EVEN
WITH MY
BARRIER, WE
MIGHT BE
DEALING WITH
SOME DEATHS
HERE.



...HOW DO
YOU PLAN
TO MAKE
UP FOR
ALL THIS?

SO...



LIM...



...BUT,
WELL...LIKE,
WHAT ARE
ALL OF YOU
ANYWAY?

I-I GUESS
THIS IS KIND
OF A SILLY
THING TO
ASK AT THIS
POINT...

CHAPTER 11: THE DEVIL HEADS-OFF FOR WORK



IT'S KIND OF
EMBARRASSING
TO JUST PUT
IT OUT LIKE
THIS...

WELL...



BUT I'M
SORTA THE
DEVIL KING
OVER ON
ANOTHER
WORLD.



YEAH,
NOT
THAT YOU
BELIEVE
ME,
HUH?



YOUR
DEMONIC
HIGHNESS,
I REALLY
DON'T THINK
NOW IS THE
TIME FOR
HUMILITY!

OH,
THAT?

AW,
YOU KNOW,
THAT MUCH
WASN'T ANY
BIG DEAL...



OH NO,
NO, NOT
AT ALL!

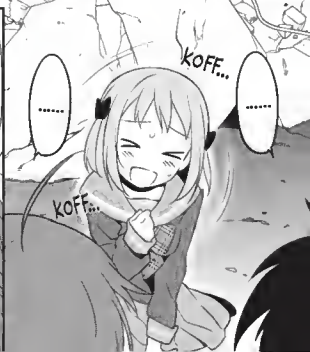


WELL,
OKAY, HALF
ANGEL
ACTUALLY,
BUT...

THESE
GUYS ARE
ALL DEMONS,
KEEP IN MIND.
MYSELF, I'M
ALL HUMAN.



I MEAN
I SAW ALL
OF THAT...
STUFF YOU
DID, SO...





y-
YUSA-
SAN...!



WISO
(WHISPER)

OKAY?

YOU SEE
NOW? THERE'S
NOTHING
SPECIAL AT
ALL BETWEEN
ME AND MAOU,
SO QUIT
WORRYING...



OH,
THAT?

YOU
KNOW,
THOUGH
...

...IF YOU
HAD THAT MUCH
POWER LEFT,
WHY DIDN'T YOU
ATTACK ME
BEFORE NOW?



"WEAK
AND..."?
THAT'S
KIND OF
MEAN.

MY PEOPLE
RESPECTED
ME. I CAN'T
JUST PREY ON
SOMEONE WEAK
AND DEFENSE-
LESS, LIKE YOU
USED TO BE.

I KNOW
I DON'T
ACT LIKE IT
SOMETIMES,
BUT I'M A
HERO. A
LEADER.



OH,
SHURE.



BAN
CTOONO

AND
YOU USED
ALL OF
YOURS UP!
I COULD
CRUSH
YOU LIKE
A BUG!

WELL,
HOW
'BOLT
NOW!?

NOW I'VE
GOT ALL
MY POWER
BACK!



HE'S
TRYING
TO PICK
ON ME!

THAT
GUY'S
USING HIS
"I HAVE
MY POWER
BACK"
CRUTCH.

HEY,
CHIHO-
CHAN...



...REALLY,
MAOU-SAN?



I AM THE
NOBLE KING OF
THE DEMONS!
WHEN IT'S
TIME TO FIGHT,
I FIGHT FAIR
AND SQUARE!

NO!

I'D...I'D
NEVER
DO THAT!
EVER!



WHAT'S
HAPPENED
TO ALL OF
YOU?

WHAT...



I
GLARE



SO STOP
LOOKING
ALL SAD
LIKE THAT,
CHI-CHAN!

ALSO,
THAT
WAS
LOW,
EMI!





WOW,
A THOUSAND
YEN AT
MGRONALD?
THEY MUST'VE
LOVED YOU.

YOU
STAY
OUT OF
THIS,
EMILIA!

RE-
GARD-
LESS!



WHAT
POSSIBLE
VALUE DOES A
CONTRACT WITH
THE HUMAN
RACE HOLD,
ONE WRITTEN
WITHOUT THE
BENEFIT OF
DEMONIC FORCE
BEHIND IT?

I KNOW WE
WILL BOTH
MISS THE
THOUSAND-
YEN HOURLY
PAY YOU
WERE
RECEIVING...



MAN, I DON'T
REMEMBER
YOU MOUTHING
OFF AT ME THIS
MUCH AS A
DEMON
...

WAIT,
WHAT?
YOU AREN'T
QUITTING,
ARE YOU,
MAOU-SANI?

I WOULDN'T
WANT PEOPLE
TO THINK THE
DEVIL KING
WAS SOME
FOOL WHO JUST
SKIPPED OUT
ON HIS JOB!

MY LIEGE,
ALL THAT
REMAINS
IS FOR
YOU TO
GIVE
YOUR TWO
WEEK'S
NOTICE!



THAT'S
RIGHT,
LUCIFER!

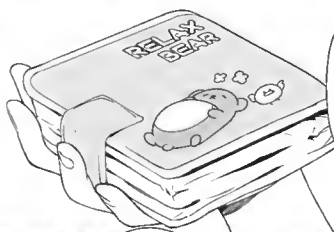
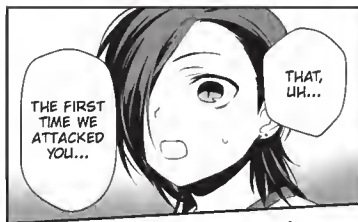
WERE YOU
THE GUY
WHO CALLED
ME UP AT
WORK
EARLIER?



UM...

SO WHAT
DO YOU
WANT
FROM
ME...?

OH!







IT MUST BE
SOME KIND OF
MAGICAL
BARRIER~!

WHY'S
EVERY-
THING
STOPPED
LIKE
THAT?

AND
WHO'S
BURIED
IN THAT
PILE?

...THAT
WOULD
BE
OLBA.

WHO'S
THAT
STANDIN'
OVER
THERE?

IT LOOKS
LIKE EMILIA
TO ME...

AND WHO'RE
ALL THOSE
OTHER
GUYS?

COULDN'T
SAY...



EME...!
ALBERT!



...A BIT
DIRTY,
BUT~.

I'M SO GLAD
YOU'RE STILL
OKAAAAAY~!

HEY,
EMILIA!
IT'S BEEN
A LONG
TIME!



AH!



SO
IS THAT
SATAN,
THE DEVIL
KING...?

AND THAT'S
ALCIEL,
RIIIGHT~?



M-
MAOU-
SAN!
THAT
GUY!

HMM?



PASH!
(FWID)

HEY,
EMI!



OH?
HEY,
LITTLE
LADY...

DID YOU
PICK UP ON
MY IDEA
LINK?

THAT'S
THE VOICE!
THE VOICE
THAT
TALKED TO
ME IN MY
BRAIN!



MAN,
I THINK
WE'VE ALL
GOT SOME
CATCHING
UP TO DO
HERE...



MY
LIEGE
...!?

TAKE
CHI-CHAN
AND THOSE
GUYS OVER
THERE.

YOU
KNOW
WHERE
I LIVE,
RIGHT?



LEAVE
HIM.

...BUT WHAT
ABOUT OLBA,
BURIED
UNDER THAT
RUBBLE?



THE
POLICE'LL
I.D. HIM
AND LOCK
HIM UP
SOON
ENOUGH.

HE CARRIED
OUT ALL
THOSE
ROBBERIES
WITH
LUCIFER,
RIGHT?



WE
HAVE TO,
ASHIYA.

I'M GETTING
KINDA SICK
OF KEEPING
THIS BARRIER
GOING
ANYWAY.

THERE'S
NO POINT
WASTING
MORE
ENERGY
FIGHTING
RIGHT
NOW.

...VERY
WELL.





ASHIYA,
LUCIFER,
LEND ME
A HAND.



AND
WHAT
DO YOU
INTEND,
YOUR
DEMONIC
HIGH-
NESS?



YEP.

HUH?
YOU
MEAN
...?

HMM?

WELL,
WE CAN'T
JUST LEAVE
THINGS LIKE
THIS.



JUST
WHEN I
GOT MY
POWERS
BACK TOO.
SUCKS,
HUH?



I AM
BOUND TO
FOLLOW
HIM.



...SO BE IT.
MY LIEGE
HAS MADE
HIS CHOICE.

BUT, BUT
IF YOU DO
THAT...!



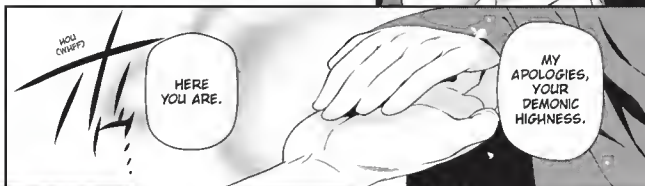
YOU TWO MIND
KNOCKING
OFF THE
CHITCHAT?

WHO CAN
SAY? I FIND
IT DIFFICULT
TO UNDER-
STAND MY-
SELF.



...CAN YOU
AT LEAST
TELL ME
WHAT HAS
POSSESSED
YOU?

YOU AND OUR LORD
AS WELL?



YOU
(CHUFF)

HERE
YOU ARE.

MY
APOLOGIES,
YOUR
DEMONIC
HIGHNESS.

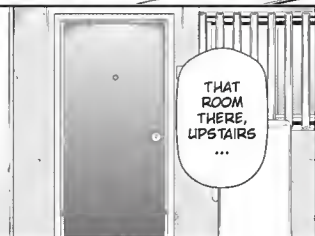
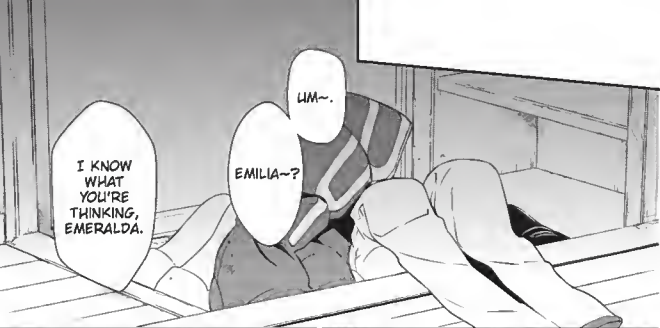


I RULE
ALL THAT
I SEE, AND
A RULER'S
BURDEN IS
A HEAVY
ONE.

20号
州街道
Koshu-kaido

ANY
GOOD
BOSS
NEEDS
TO MAKE
UP FOR
THEIR
MINIONS'
MIS-
TAKES.

WHETHER
IT BE ENTE
ISLA OR THE
MGRONALD
CORPORATION,
THE SAME
ALWAYS
APPLIES.









HEY!
WE'RE
BACK!



SO.
GUESS WE
ALL KNOW
EACH OTHER
NOW.



AH...
UH, WHAT
HAPPENED
TO ASHIYA-
SAN?



JUDGING BY
THE LOOKS
OF THINGS,
YOU'RE NOT
HERE TO
KILL ME, AT
LEAST.



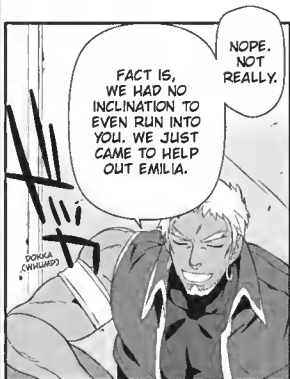
OH,
NOTHING MUCH.
I SQUEEZED ALL
THE MAGIC OUT
OF HIM, HE
ALMOST DIED,
THAT SORT
OF THING.

HUFF...



YEP!
AND OLBA
WASN'T THE
ONLY ONE...

...THE WHOLE
CHURCH WAS
IN ON IT~.



NOPE.
NOT
REALLY.

FACT IS,
WE HAD NO
INCLINATION TO
EVEN RUN INTO
YOU. WE JUST
CAME TO HELP
OUT EMILIA.

DOKKA
(CHILLING)



THEY
GUARANTEED
OUR SECURITY
AS LONG AS WE
DIDN'T DO ANY-
THING AGAINST
THEM~.

THEY
WANTED
ME TO
RETIRE OUT
OF COURT
LIFE IN THE
EMPIRE~.

THAT'S
HOW SCARED
THEY WERE,
APPARENTLY,
OF THEIR HERO
AND SAVIOR
SEIZING
POLITICAL
POWER~.

TOOK A LOT
OF WORK
TO ESCAPE,
LEMME TELL
YOU.

THE CHURCH
BISHOPS WERE
SPYIN' ON US,
BULLYIN' US
INTO JOININ'
THEIR SIDE.

W
H
A
T
!?



HEY,
LISTEN
TO ME!

US AND THEM
BOTH FIRED OUT
A WHOLE MESS
OF SONAR BOLTS
TO FIND EMILIA.



THAT'S WHAT
YOU GET FROM
PEOPLE WHO
DON'T LIFT
A FINGER TO
ACTUALLY DO
ANYTHING.



OH
YEAH, YOU
TRIGGERED
SOME DAMN
STRONG
EARTH-
QUAKES...

PRETTY WELL
CAUSED A
BUNCH OF
HAVOC IN THIS
WORLD TOO,
I RECKON.



OH!

IN
THAT
CASE...

...WHY WAS
I ABLE TO
PICK UP YOUR
MESSAGE,
ALBERT-SAN?



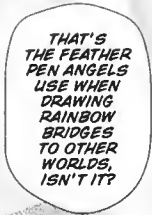
WELL
...

...YOU CAN
NARROW DOWN
THE RANGE OF
FOLKS YOU CAN
SEND AN IDEA
LINK TO.



SO WHEN
I SENT
OUT THAT
MESSAGE...









OH YEAH,
I GOT A
MESSAGE
FROM HER
TOO.

HUH...?



I...
WOW.
FOR REAL?

THAT'S
HOW YOU
REACT,
EMI?



SHE SAID,
"YOUR FATHER
WAS A GOOD
MAN."



OH...

FUWA
(FLUTTER)



WHAT'S
THAT
SUP-
POSED
TO MEAN
...?

I DUNNO.
ANYWAY, THIS
FEATHER
PEN'S ALL
YOURS.



I MADE A
SOLEMN
PROMISE...

...TO YOUR
MOTHER
THAT SOME-
DAY...

...WE'LL
LIVE HERE
AGAIN,
TOGETHER.

KYU
(SING)

EMILIA,
YOUR
MOTHER...

...IS STILL
ALIVE, SOME-
WHERE.



...
BACK?

I IMAGINE
YOU GOT
ASSORTED
THINGS TO
SETTLE
OVER
HERE.

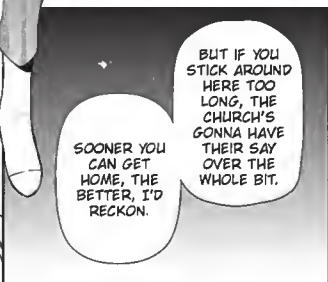
I AIN'T
ASKIN' FOR
TODAY OR
ANYTHIN'.

SO...

...WHEN
ARE YOU
GOING
BACK?



I...



BUT IF YOU
STICK AROUND
HERE TOO
LONG, THE
CHURCH'S
GONNA HAVE
THEIR SAY
OVER THE
WHOLE BIT.

SOONER YOU
CAN GET
HOME, THE
BETTER, I'D
RECKON.



I'M NOT
GOING
ANY-
WHERE.

...H H H?



WHAT
ABOUT YOU?
WHEN ARE
YOU GOING
BACK...?

ME?



EVEN IF
I WANTED
TO, I CAN'T
NOW.



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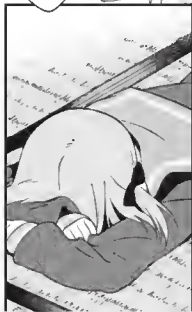
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...TO
BRING THAT
DISASTER
AREA BACK
TO THE WAY
IT WAS
BEFORE?

HOW
MUCH MAGIC
POWER DO
YOU THINK
IT TOOK...





NNNGH...
I HATE YOU,
ALBERT-SAN...



...HEY!
CHI-CHAN,
WAKE UP!

C'MON,
CHI-CHAN,
YOU GOT
A SHIFT
TODAY!



YOU KNOW,
WITH MY
POWER, I
COULD...



HEY,
CHI-CHAN?

...YES?



SO...
UH...



...
AND
STUFF
...



I COULD
ERASE
ALL THE
BAD
MEMO-
RIES...







SHE
HASN'T
SAID A
WORD
TO ME
SINCE.

WAS THAT
BAD OR
SOMETHING,
YOU THINK?

AND THAT'S
ENOUGH TO
MAKE THE
DEVIL KING
ALL GLOOMY
LIKE THAT!?



YOU
DIDN'T DO
ANYTHING
BAD TO
CHIHIO-CHAN,
DID YOU?

I ASKED IF
I SHOULD ERASE
HER MEMORIES
FROM TODAY AND
YESTERDAY.
SHE CALLED
ME STUPID.

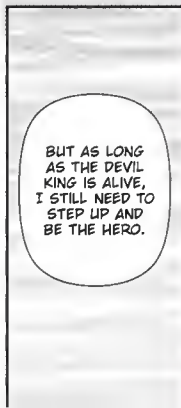


I
SEE.

WHY DO
YOU KEEP
ASKING
THAT? I'D
BE MORE
THAN HAPPY
TO GO
BACK.



LOOK, DO
YOU WANT
TO GO
BACK AT
ALL?



BUT AS LONG
AS THE DEVIL
KING IS ALIVE,
I STILL NEED TO
STEP UP AND
BE THE HERO.



HEY,
COME
ON...

I DON'T
HAVE TO GO
ON A WILD
GOOSE CHASE
IN SEARCH OF
HOLY POWER TO
CONTROL THE
GATE WITH
EITHER.



OH?

WELL,
FOR NOW,
AT LEAST,
I CAN GO
BACK ANY
TIME I
WANT TO.





I THREW
OUT THE
UMBRELLA I
BORROWED
FROM YOU,
RIGHT?

I...YOU
KNOW...



...HUH?

AN UM-
BREL-
LA?



SO
JUST
TAKE IT
ALREADY!

THIS
THING'S
GETTING
HEAVY!

GUH
(GRAB)

UH...
SURE.

GUH

...BUT NOT
RETURNING
A FAVOR
WOULD BE
EVEN WORSE
FOR MY
REPUTATION!

I
THOUGHT
THAT
WAS...
KIND OF
MEAN OF
ME...!

BORROWING
AN UMBRELLA
FROM YOU IS
A DEEP, DEEP
WOUND TO
MY HONOR...





...WELL,
THAT'S ALL
I NEEDED
TO DO.

OH?

WELL,
THANKS
A LOT!



TRY
TO PATCH
THINGS UP
WITH CHIHO-
CHAN, ALL
RIGHT?

HMM?
FORGOT
WHAT?

I
ALMOST
FORGOT.



SEE YOU
LATER.



YOU COULD
AT LEAST
PRETEND
IT'S AN
OMELET. I
DON'T CARE
IF YOU LIE
TO ME.

I'VE
PREPARED
SOME EGG
CREPES
FOR
DINNER.



OH, GOOD
EVENING,
YOUR
DEMONIC
HIGHNESS!



...HEY,
WHAT GOES
AROUND
COMES
AROUND,
RIGHT?



AGH!

JI
(COLARE)



MY LIEGE,
DID YOU HAVE
SOME LOFTY
BENEFACTOR IN
LIFE WILLING
TO GIVE YOU
SUCH A FANCY
UMBRELLA?

IT'S
A GIFT,
OKAY?
A GIFT!



...WHAT?

LET ME ASK YOU SOMETHING, LUCIFER.



YOU GOT ANY PLACE TO GO, OR ...?

...IF I DID, I WOULDN'T BE EATING FRIED EGGS IN THIS DUMP, WOULD I?



YOU HELP ME GET MY POWER BACK, I'LL HELP YOU IN RETURN. HOW 'BOUT IT?



'COS DEPENDING ON HOW YOU DID IT, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE THAT FOR SOMETHING.

MORNIN',
EMI!

HOPE
NOTHING
BAD
HAPPENS
TODAY,
HUH?

OOH,
YOU'RE
RIGHT. I CAN
STILL SEE A
COUPLE OF
BRUISES
ON YOU.

YOU
DON'T DIE
EASY, DO
YA?

I GOT IN AN...
UH, ACCIDENT
YESTERDAY
AND PRETTY
MUCH RUINED
YOUR
BLOUSE...

RIKA...

I GOT
SOME
BAD
NEWS.

I'M
SORRY!

JUST KEEP
ME COMPANY
WHILE I
STAND IN LINE
FOR LUNCH
TODAY, HUH?

OH IT'S
NOT THAT
BIG A
DEAL...

PA
(SPARKLE)



Yo! Emi!
Can you
hear
me?



Whoa!
Dang! It
actually
connected!

What
are you
doing!?!
I'm at
work
right
now!



THIS IS
GONNA BE A
LOT MORE
USEFUL
THAN I
THOUGHT!

MAN,
I HAD NO
IDEA YOU
COULD
REALLY
TARGET
PEOPLE
LIKE
THAT.



.....
WHAT?



...SO I MADE
THE FIRST BIG
PURCHASE
OF MY LIFE!
MONTHLY
INSTALLMENTS
ON MY CREDIT
CARD, BABY!

SO I FIGURED
IF WE HAD A
PC AT HOME,
WE COULD DO
A LOT MORE
THAN THAT...

... 'COS HE
WENT TO AN
INTERNET
CAFÉ AND
HACKED
INTO YOUR
COMPANY'S
MAIN
COMPUTER.

URUSHIHARA
GOT HIMSELF
DIRECTLY
CONNECTED
TO YOUR
BOOTH...

HE'S,
LIKE, A
TOTAL WHIZ
WITH COM-
PUTERS.

OH,
I MEAN
LUCIFER.

WHEE...

...
but first,
who the
hell is
Urushi-
hara!?

Well,
there's
a lot I'd
like to
ask you...

Ha-
ha-ha!
Sorry to
bother
you!
Later!

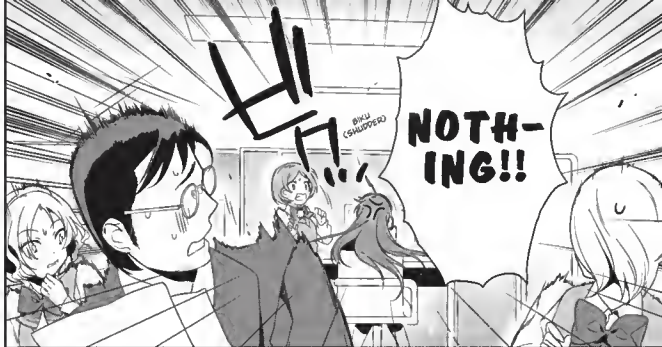
"FAMILIAR
WITH"!?
DON'T
GIVE ME
THAT BS!

SO
WHAT'S
THAT
GOT TO
DO WITH
ME!?

Oh, I just
thought it'd
be safer if I
tried it with
someone
I'm familiar
with first,
so...

WHAT'S
WRONG,
EMI?

UH...



IF YOU WANT A BRAND-NEW PC, THEN HOW 'BOUT FINDING A WAY TO RECHARGE MY MAGIC POWER FIRST?

QUIT WHINING, YOU FUGITIVE.

YOU SHOULD BE GLAD I GOT SAME-DAY INTERNET ACTIVATION TOO! HOW MUCH DO YOU THINK THAT COST?

I THOUGHT THEY GAVE YOU A DISCOUNT ON NET SERVICE ONCE YOU BOUGHT THE HARDWARE! COULDN'T YOU HAVE GOTTEN ME SOMETHING A LITTLE FASTER, AT LEAST?

WHY MUST I ABIDE BY THESE RIDICULOUS HUMAN LAWS?

THIS IS CRAZY...

BUTSU

BUTSU (WHINE)



INDEED.

SEEMS LIKE SUCH AN ODDLY LONG TIME AGO, DOESN'T IT?

HEY, REMEMBER WHEN WE SAID STUFF LIKE THAT?





**OFF,
AND
AWAY
TO
WORK!**

**IT IS TIME
TO DEPART,
MY FAITHFUL
DULLAHAN!**

THE DEVIL IS A PART-TIMER! ②

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